

SUSPENDER-MAKERS STRIKE.

Nearly Half the Operators in the City Are Out.

The Men Demand an Increase of Wages, the Bosses Refuse.

The suspender-makers employed by about twenty-five firms in this city are this morning engaged in a general strike. The strikers held a meeting last night at 131 Allen street, about one hundred and seventy-five men being present, including in their ranks the principal men in all the big suspender factories in New York.

The suspender-makers' union is affiliated with the United Hebrew Trades. To-morrow night the union will become a part of the Jewish Assembly No. 49, Knights of Labor.

A. Weiss, chairman of the suspender-makers' union, in outlining the strikers' position this morning, said: "I do not think there is a trade in the city where the workmen are so poorly paid as in ours. There are about 250 men employed in making suspenders, and three times as many women and boys. More than half of the men are members of our union."

We are striking because we want to live. We want a regular scale of prices. The work is all done by the piece. We want the piece fixed at 8 and 9 cents a dozen in the same-old shops, and 9 and 10 cents a dozen in the downtown shops. As it is now the majority of us work for 6 cents a dozen, and the manufacturers' association is working to drive us down to 5 cents.

"At the present rate we can only make \$3.00 and \$7 a week by working twelve and fourteen hours a day. We cannot go on in this way."

"The principal shops in this city are those of Morris Brothers, at 94 Howard street; Petzsch & Co., 30 Madison street; Manhattan Company, 79 White street; Levy & Co., 30 Nassau street; A. Fleigbaum, 14 Orchard street; Hirsch & Schmidt, 311 Forsyth street; Rosenberg & Co., 111 Forsyth street; A. Rosenberg, 27 Orchard street; Black & Co., 134 East Broadway; J. Wechsler, 93 East Broadway; Hickmann & Co., 8 East Broadway; Hyatt & Co., Orchard street; Freeder & Co., 52 Broadway; S. Fashman, 201 Broadway; J. Mulberry, Canal street; and the Lyon Suspender Company, on Church street."

"Our Union struck last year. The Manufacturers' Association defeated us, and the Union was temporarily broken up. We organized again about two months ago."

"The Manufacturers' Association held a meeting July 25, and took steps to break us up again. The present troubles began last Friday, when Petzsch & Co. discharged four workmen, as we believe, because they belong to the Union. Morris Brothers discharged five men for the same cause Monday."

"We then held a mass-meeting of suspender operators at Irving Hall Tuesday night, and voted a general strike."

"We are confident that we can win this strike."

Jacob Morris, of Morris Brothers, said that he had employed twenty-five operators because he did not want them in the shop. He said he had employed seventy-five operators all but the locked-out ones are at work. He said he intended to put in two more men within ten days, and do without the operators altogether.

Below the lockout of the Secretary of the Union wrote to him, he said, asking him to help the Union to raise the scale of wages. He refused to do so, and said he would not interfere with other members of the trade.

In his letter to the Union he asked why, if he refused to put in two more men, he was not going to put in two more men. He said he was not going to put in two more men, and would not do without the operators altogether.

After the meeting to-morrow night the strikers will go to work on a better basis, and will get in consequence.

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SHARP BATTLE FOR A LIFE.

All Night Doctors Fought to Keep Death from Nellie Dugan.

She Took Paris Green and Wants to Live Now, but May Die.

There is no prettier sixteen-year-old girl in the Fourth Ward than Mary Ellen Dugan when she is fixed up for a picnic or a ball, but she is not so pretty now that she lies between life and death on a snow-white cot, covered near Hospital Dr. W. K. Donovan, who labored over her all last night, is not sure whether the Paris green that she took to end her life will kill her or not.

Mary Ellen is one of ten children of John and Mary Dugan, hard-working folks, who live at 74 New Chambers street. She will be sixteen on Feb. 11 next, and she was employed in a park place establishment until a few days ago.

She has wavy hair of nut brown, big blue eyes, rosy cheeks and a tall, graceful figure, and she is quite popular among the young folks, who call her Nellie.

The other day she attended the John Alcorn excursion and picnic and lost her job. Last evening while the family was in the cot, light and while was "wasting up" after the day's work, Nellie announced that she was going to another excursion next Wednesday.

"Indeed, and you'll not!" exclaimed Brother Willie, decidedly. "Sure, it is enough plagues you've been to this year. You are not of age yet, and you should not go to parties without a guardian. You are after getting into bad company," scolded Willie.

He said other things that were cutting, too, to the little sister, who said she had no company into which she had got, and certainly she had not knowingly stolen.

Suddenly she remembered that her mother had been using a cup of Paris green, and had left it on the mantel.

Stepping across the room, she seized this and drank it to the bottom.

Then she sat down to await death. After a little the poison made her ill, and then, when the doctor came, she said she had taken the poison, and she was after getting into bad company," scolded Willie.

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